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Pet waste collection is mandatory by all Post residents.

Many residents on Post have pets that are walked regularly and this is a wonderful thing. The problem is that dogs rely on their owners to clean up after them and this rarely happens. Recent studies have shown that pet waste is a significant contributor to bacterial contamination in the Chesapeake Bay. Stormwater carries litter, pet waste and other pollutants directly into area the moat, Mill Creek or the Chesapeake Bay. Storm drains are designed to carry stormwater only, but ultimately, they carry whatever we leave on the land.



Pet wastes seem pretty harmless, but they aren't. Pet wastes degrade water quality by contributing excess nutrients leading to cloudy and green water from accelerated algae/weed growth. This all leads to objectionable odors, dead fish, unusable waters and closed beaches.

To help combat this problem DPW has installed pet waste stations that provide pet walkers with collection bags and disposal space. While there are no designated areas for walking pets, DPW chose six high traffic areas to erect these pet waste stations. These stations will help to encourage pet waste clean up and ease the owner's burden of picking up wastes.

Pet waste station locations:

1. Reeder Circle
2. Greenspace between Ingalls Road and McNair Drive
3. Entrance of Dog Beach at the gate
4. Parade Field
5. Battery Irwin
6. Greenspace across from the PX

DPW appreciates your participation in this effort to prevent pollution and keep Fort Monroe Clean and Beautiful. Take pride in your Post and help protect Fort Monroe's natural environment. For more information please contact DPW Environmental at 788-2444. Support Project Pride!